IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Stoney Hugo Glenn, #993648,	
Plaintiff,) C/A No. 0:09-712-TLW-PJG
v.)
) REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
Lexington County Jail;)
Sheriff James Metts;)
Sgt Taylor;)
West Columbia Police Department,	
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Defendants.)
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The plaintiff, proceeding *pro se*, brought this action seeking relief pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The defendants filed a motion to dismiss on June 22, 2009, pursuant to Rule 41 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. (Docket Entry 26.) As the plaintiff is proceeding *pro se*, the court entered an order pursuant to <u>Roseboro v. Garrison</u>, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975) on June 22, 2009, advising the plaintiff of the importance of a motion to dismiss and of the need for him to file an adequate response. (Docket Entry 28.) The plaintiff was specifically advised that if he failed to respond adequately, the defendants' motion may be granted, thereby ending his case.

Notwithstanding the specific warning and instructions set forth in the court's <u>Roseboro</u> order, the plaintiff failed to respond to the motion. As the plaintiff is proceeding *pro se*, the court filed a second order on August 3, 2009, advising the plaintiff that it appeared to the court that he was not opposing the motion and wished to abandon this action, and giving the plaintiff an additional fifteen (15) days in which to file his response to the defendants' motion to dismiss. (Docket Entry 34.) The plaintiff was specifically warned that if he failed to respond, this action would be recommended for

dismissal with prejudice for failure to prosecute. <u>Davis v. Williams</u>, 588 F.2d 69, 70 (4th Cir. 1978); Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b).

Despite this second warning, the plaintiff still did not respond. Therefore, the plaintiff meets all of the criteria for dismissal under <u>Chandler Leasing Corp. v. Lopez</u>, 669 F.2d 919 (4th Cir. 1982). Accordingly, it is recommended that this action be dismissed with prejudice for lack of prosecution. <u>See Davis</u>, 558 F.2d at 70; Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); <u>Ballard v. Carlson</u>, 882 F.2d 93, 95 (4th Cir. 1989), <u>cert. denied sub nom</u>, <u>Ballard v. Volunteers of America</u>, 493 U.S. 1084 (1990) (magistrate judge's prior explicit warning that a recommendation of dismissal would result from the plaintiff failing to obey his order was proper grounds for the district court to dismiss the suit when the plaintiff did not comply despite the warning).

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

August 24, 2009 Columbia, South Carolina

The parties are referred to the Notice Page attached hereto.

¹He is personally responsible for proceeding in a dilatory fashion, the Defendants are suffering prejudice by continuing to have these claims clouding their careers and continuing to incur legal expenses, and no sanctions appear to exist other than dismissal given the previous warnings and extensions provided. <u>Chandler Leasing Corp.</u>, 669 F.2d at 920.

Notice of Right to File Objections to Report and Recommendation

The parties are advised that they may file specific written objections to this Report and Recommendation with the district judge. Objections must specifically identify the portions of the Report and Recommendation to which objections are made and the basis for such objections. In the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must "only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co., 416 F.3d 310 (4th Cir. 2005).

Specific written objections must be filed within ten (10) days of the date of service of this Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b). The time calculation of this ten-day period excludes weekends and holidays and provides for an additional three (3) days for filing by mail. Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a) & (e). Filing by mail pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5 may be accomplished by mailing objections to:

Larry W. Propes, Clerk United States District Court 901 Richland Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Failure to timely file specific written objections to this Report and Recommendation will result in waiver of the right to appeal from a judgment of the District Court based upon such Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); United States v. Schronce, 727 F.2d 91 (4th Cir. 1984); Wright v. Collins, 766 F.2d 841 (4th Cir. 1985).